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STRANGE LAW SUIT CONCERNING A BET.

One has often wondered what our ancestors talked about as they sat together on wet days and in the winter evenings. They had no newspapers and no great lending libraries; nor could they have smoked much tobacco—that incentive to conversation—in the first year of King James. It is probable that the comparative isolation of each township and its hamlets, and the hearty neighbourliness of the period, led people to speak more of themselves and of those around them than we care to do now. The case of *Alston versus Doggett* (of which we give a digest) shows that on one occasion, at any rate, certain well-to-do clothiers of Suffolk and their friends amused themselves by making bets as to how long some of them might chance to live. The parties to the suit, including the witnesses to the bonds, were of good social position, and indeed are mentioned, most of them, in the Herald's Visitations, or that great mine of old world genealogy, the Harleian MSS. Nine of them are referred to by Adam Winthrop in his diary. John Snelling, who proposed the wager, was brother-in-law to Winthrop, who frequently speaks of him in that journal. Doubtless the matter was quite a fund of conversation in the villages round about Groton for many years. As Alston says in his answer to Anne Duke, she must often have heard her father speak of it. The average length of life in 1603 was far shorter than it is now. We gather from the inscription on William Doggett's brass in Boxford Church, where he lies buried, that he would have been eighty-six years old had he lived to 1643.

The abstracts which follow tell the story in the quaint English of the seventeenth century.

ALSTON c̄ DOGGETT. MITFORD, 54, 44.

To the right honab^{le} Henry, Earle of Kent, Oliver, Earle of Bullingbrooke, and the rest of the Co^mmissio^{rs} of the great Seale of England, 5th die Februa^{ri}, 1644. Humbly sheweth yo^r orator, Edward Alston, late of Edwardston in the Countye of Suffolk, Clothier, and nowe of Sudbury, that yo^r orato^r about the month of June, 1603, beinge in companie with one William Doggett, Cittizen and Mercer of London, and Avice his wife, and one John Snellinge of Boxford, Clothier, and other company at the house of the said Snelling, William Doggett said that he and Avice his wife grew old and were not like to live longe. Wherevppon yo^r orator replied that he and his wife, or one of them, for any thinge he did see by them, might live fortye yeeres. Then Doggett asked y^r orator what he would venture, and he the said Doggett would giue him fortye for one for it, yf he, William Doggett, and Avice his wife, or either of them should be liueinge fortye yeeres after that time.

Wherevppon y^r orator presently payd Doggett tenn pounds, and Doggett and Snelling became bound vnto y^r orator in one obligacōn, dated the 17th of June, 1603, for the payment of flower hundred pounds vnto y^r orator, his executors and assignes, vppon the 17th daie of June, 1643, if he the said William Doggett and Avice his wife, or either of them, should then be liueinge. At which time Snelling told yo^r orator that if yo^r orator durst venture tenn pounds more vppon the same condiçōns, he, Snelling, would take y^r same. Wherevppon yo^r orator did likewise pay vnto Snelling tenn pounds, which Snellinge did then accept of vppon the Bargaine, wherevppon he and Doggett became severally bound vnto yo^r orator in one other obligacōn, dated the said daie of June, 1603, for the payment of flower hundred pounds vnto yo^r orator, vppon the 17th of June, 1643, if the said Doggett and his wife, or either of them, should be then liueinge. After which Doggett dyed possessed of a good personal estate. Avice (his widow) possessed herself of it all, and is yett liueinge; whereby both the said svmes of flower hundred pounds apeice are become due to yo^r Orator. And further the said John Snelling alsoe made his will, and thereof made John Duke, Doctor in Phisicke, whoe before had married Anne Snellinge his daughter and heire, his executor, and died in or about May, 1618. Duke proved the will and possessed himself of Snelling's psonall estate to the value of three thousand pounds, besides considerable estate in lands and tenements. After which the said John Duke made his last will, and thereof made Anne his wife, the only child of the said John Snelling, his executrix; and haueinge layd out much of his owne and of Snellinge's psonall estate in lands and tenements, dyed. After whose death the said Anne proved her husband's will and possessed herselfe of the estate. Yet nowe soe it is that Avice Doggett haueinge had the estate of the said William Doggett in her hands by the space of twenty yeares, and the said Anne and her husband John Duke, the estate of John Snellinge in theire, or one of theire, hands, by the space of twenty sixe yeeres and more before yo^r orators debt grewe due (the time lyimited for the payment of the two seuall somes of flower hundred pounds being expired) they the said Avice and Anne doe plott and combine to defraud yo^r Orator of the said debt, and have imbesilled and concealed the estates of Doggett, Snelling, and Duke. Duke beinge noe waster, but a great husband, and a great gainer and improver of his estate, both by the estate of the said Snellinge, and alsoe by his practise in phisicke, whereof he was very eminent. May it please yo^r honors to graunt his Ma^{ties} most gracious writt of Subpena to be directed vnto the said Avice Doggett and Anne Duke comāding them to appeare befo^r yo^r hono^{rs} and the rest of the Comission^{rs} to answer the pmisses; and further to stand and abide such order and direçōn therein, as to yo^r hono^{rs} shall seeme to agree with equity and a good conscience.

The answare of Avice Doggett, widdowe, 17 April, 1645 :

This Deff doth not knowe of any discourse, b^egayne, or agreem^t betwē the Compl^t and Wilm Doggett, sometymes her husband, and

is a meere stranger to all the passages in the Compl^a bill charged to the other def^t Ann Duke and her late husband. In 1610 the said Wiltm Doggett dyed, having made his will as follows:—
 “I give to Wiltm Doggett my sonne fflower hundred pounds, and to John Doggett my sonne fflower hundred pounds, and to Lappage Doggett my sonne one thousand pounds, and to Richard Doggett one thousand pounds, to be payd to euy of my said fflowre sonnes at their seual ages of fflowre and twenty yeres. I give to Anna Doggett my eldest daughter, Suzan Doggett my second daughter, Avice Doggett my third daughter, Alice Doggett my fourth daughter, and to Dorothy Doggett my youngest daughter, fflower hundred pounds apeece, at their seual ages of fflowre and twenty yeeres. I give to the poore people of the towne of Boxford fifty pounds to be layde forth in a parcell of land, w^{ch} shalbe pchased by John Doggett my brother and John Brond my brother-in-lawe. To Thomas Lappage my father-in-lawe, ffyve poundes. Vnto M^r Joseph Bird, the parson of Boxford, ffyve pounds, and to M^r Henry Sands, the preacher of the said towne, ffyve poundes. To my brother John Doggett, ffyve pounds; and to Anne Kent my sister, ffyve pounds; and to John Brond my brother-in-lawe, ffyve poundes; and to my sister his wife, ffourty shillings, to make her a ringe. Allso to euy one of my brother Bronde's children, ffourty shillings. I doe give to the governoures of the free schoole of the foundaçon of the late good Queene Elizabeth in Boxford, tenn pounds.” Thomas Doggett his sonne relinquishing his executorship of this will, this deff made pbate thereof in the Progative Court and exhibited a true Inventory of the estate. All the personall estate did amount to three thousand seaven hundred threescore ffoure pounds twelve shillings and ffyve pence and noe more. And this Deff sayth that that she hath longe since fully administered all her husband's psonall estate, and a thousand pounds more out of her owne purse. And prayeth to be dismissed with her reasonable costs in this behalfe most wrongfully susteyned.

DUKE c̄ ALSTON. CHARLES I., B. & A.

DD. 33, 40.

The Answere of Edward Alston to the Bill of Complaint of Anne Duke, sworn 22 May. 1645. In or about the Terme of S^t Hillary last past this Defend^t did exhibit his Bill against the now Complainant and one Avice Dogett, widdow, and did thereby sett forth that John Snelling, the Complainant's late ffather, on the 17th of June, 1603, together with one William Dogett (in consideration of ten pounds then paid vnto the said John Snelling and of other ten pounds paid vnto the said William Dogett) did enter into two severall obligaçons, of eight hundred pounds apeece, for the payment of fower hundred pounds apeece, vppon the seauenteenth of June, 1643, yf the said William Dogett and Avice his wife, or either of them, should then be liueing. And that the said Avice Dogett

vpon the said seauenteenth of June, 1643, *was* living. And that John Duke the Complainant's husband, was executor of the will of the said John Snelling, and the Complainant, executrix of the said John Duke. And this Defendant doth threaten to put the said Bonds in suit at the Comon Law. The Bargaine was contingent and vnlikely to fall out for this Defendant's advantage. He believeth that the Complainant herselfe has often heard John Snelling speake of the said Bonds. On the seauenteenth day of June, 1603, this defendant was about the age of thirtie yeares, and able to spare out of his purse and trade the said seuerall somes of ten pounds for soe long time. Complainant's father and Dogett did take their tenn pounds in hope never to paye any consideraçon for them. And itt was spoken by the said William Dogett to this defendant, that in case the said severall fower hundred pounds should become payable (which was then very improbable) *the very proceeds of the said ten pounds would in that time paye the same.* This Defendant belieueth that William and Avice Dogett were fortie yeares old apeece or thereabouts in 1603, and it was very improbable that they should live fourtie yeeres longer from that time. [Here follow the words of the obligations, the witnesses to both being John Dogett, then of Groton, clothier, Lawrence Hargraue of Boxford, gentlemen, and John Parson and John Carter of Boxford]. Vpon the seauenteenth of June, 1643, Avice Dogett was liueing att Pistry in the Countie of Suffolke. The day of payement being come this Defend^t sued the Compl^t in this Court.

DECREE. DIE JOVIS, XXII^o DIE MAIJ, 1645.

(Decrees & Orders, 1642-4, A., p. 572).

Edr^{us} Alston quer^r Anna Duke vid^t et al Deff^t. The matter vpon the plea and demurrer putt in by the Defend^t, Ann Duke, to the pl^t bill comeing this day to be heard before the Lords and others, Comissioners for the great Seale of England. The scope of the said bill is to charge the lands and the psonal estate of John Snelling (Ann Duke's late father) to the paiement of the seuerall somes of 400^{li} apeece due vpon the said bonds. The Def^t, Anne Duke, have pleaded that the bonds were not entred vpon any valluable consideraçon. It doe appeare to be vsurious to have for the loane above the rate of 10^{li} p cent. Yt doth not appeare that the bonds are put in suite. The Def^t is an executor of an executor, and soe not accomptable by law. The obligaçons were vpon very contingent and casuall condiçons, w^{ch} might never haue hapned. Ann Duke never had notice before the ex^ting of the bill. Nor, if shee had, could she have pleaded the same in barr of iust debts and legacies vnpaid. Nor doth the pl^t pretend he hath lost the said bonds or that the same are out of his custody, soe as he hath remedy at lawe. This Court allowing the said plea doth order that the same doe stand.

J. J. MUSKETT.

A LIST OF CAMBRIDGESHIRE SUBSIDY ROLLS.

APPENDIX No. XII.

*The Clerical Poll Tax of 1378.**(continued from p. 92).*

In the city of Ely there were altogether ninety-three clergy, of whom fifty were regulars. In Cambridge the list only shows twenty-five clergy, but there were eleven nuns at St. Rhadegund and seventeen canons at Barnwell. And the untaxed clerics, those in the Colleges and the seven houses of Friars, would probably bring the total up to that of Ely.

The clergy do not always seem to have paid their taxes willingly. In 1380 the Archbishop ordered a return of the names of all regulars and seculars and clerics (beneficed and unbeneficed) in this diocese, and then issued a mandate to sequester the goods of all clergy who had not paid the subsidy granted that year.

TRANSCRIPT.

Particule compoti Prioris de Anglesey ordinis Sancti Augustini Eliensis diocesis de subsidio Regi a clerico concesso in predicta anno secundo Regni hujus.

Dominus Thomas de Arundell, Episcopus Eliensis	.	iiij ^{li}	
Frater Johannes de Bukton Prior Eliē	.	iiij ^{li}	
Fratres Simon de Banham, monachus ejusdem	.	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Thomas de Stokton	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Sancto Ivone	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Snyterton	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Henricus Wykes	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Simon de Broughton	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Thomas Aldeburgh	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Willelmus Burdleys	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Aldeby	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Ely	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Welles	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Thomas de Somersham	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Thomas de Thetford, senior	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Alexander de Bury	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Rogerus de Nowich	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Petrus de Stapelford	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Robertus de Sutton	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Halywell	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Ely	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Langele	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Robertus de Bury	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Thomas Pyk	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Wornyngton	" "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d

Alanus de Sutton	monachus ejusdem	.	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Berton	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Galfridus de Wycebech	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Thomas de Dounham	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Thetford	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Petrus de Norwych	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Lavenham	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Thornton	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Ricardus lakyngheth	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Ixenyng	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Bukton, junior	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Hattefeld	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Thomas de Mendham	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Thomas de Walsingham	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Bury	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Thoñ de Dullingham	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Ricardus de Maddyngle	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Ely, junior	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Radulphus de Derham	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Petrus de Poynton	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Edmundus de Tomeston	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Thorp	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Magister Edwardus Burnell, archidiaconus Eliensis infra c marcas			xiiij ^s	iiij ^d
Frater Johannes Depyng, Abbas de Thorneye		.	iiij ^h	
Fratres Thomas Swafeld, Prior et monachus ejusdem		.	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Wyttesseye, monachus ejusdem		.	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Willelmus de luda	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Ricardus de Spaldyng	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Robertus de Islep	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Nicholaus de Fletton	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Burgo	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Ryp-ton	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Galfridus de Brunne	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Robertus de Multon, senior	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Robertus de Multon, junior	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Raundes	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Ellesworth	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Nicholaus de Chaterys	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Thomas de Heyford	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Rogerus de Uffington	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Thomas de Burgo, senior	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Makeseye	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Galfridus de Liveryngton	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Skelyngton	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Johannes de Pakebrok	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Nicholaus de Islep	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Thomas de Burgo, junior	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d
Ricardus de Overe	" "	"	iiij ^s	iiij ^d

Johannes de Jakeslee, monachus ejusdem .	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Burgo " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Thomas de Charleton " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Frater Radulphus de Norton, Prior de Bernewell .	iiij ^u	
Fratres Johannes de Midelton, canonicus et supprior ejusdem .	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Byrton, canonicus ejusdem .	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Kyrkeby " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Galfridus de Baston " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Ricardus de Oundele " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Henricus de Swafham " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Tamworth " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Willelmus de Trumpiton " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes Huntyndon " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes Wetheringsete " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Asshefeld " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Cantebrigia " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Johannes de Bernewell " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Thomas de Swafham " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Radulphus de Cantebrigia " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Henricus Fencotes " "	iiij ^a	iiij ^d
Sma .	xxix ^u	iiij ^d
Frater Willelmus de Quye, Prior de Anglesseye infra c ^u .	xx ^a	
Fratres Willelmus Bodekesham, supprior et canonicus ejusdem .		xx ^d
Johannes de Bodekesham, canonicus ejusdem .		xx ^d
Willelmus de Iode " "		xx ^d
Ricardus Wollepyt " "		xx ^d
Willelmus Tiryngton " "		xx ^d
Johannes de Cantebruggia " "		xx ^d
Sma .	xxx ^a	
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Fratres Thomas de Brunne, confrater ejusdem .		iiij ^d
Alexander Springaunt " "		iiij ^d
Henricus Wicham " "		iiij ^d
Johannes de Wysebech " "		iiij ^d
Johannes Dounham " "		iiij ^d
Sma .	vj ^a	viiij ^d
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Fratres Johannes Knapwell, confrater ejusdem .		iiij ^d
Radulphus de Dale " "		iiij ^d
Willelmus de Dale " "		iiij ^d
Willelmus de Potton " "		iiij ^d
Robertus Whitlyng " "		iiij ^d

Collegium Scolariū Aule Sancti Trinitatis Canteburgia
infra ccⁱⁱ

xxx'

Collegium domus Sancti Petri Canteburgia infra xlⁱⁱ

x'

Collegium domus Sancti Michaelis Canteburgia
infra cⁱⁱ

xx'

Collegium scolariū domini Regis in Canteburgia
infra xlⁱⁱ

x'

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(To be continued).

MURDER OF THE PRIOR OF SPINNEY, 1403.—The following dry legal process chronicles a melancholy event in the little-known priory in the parish of Wicken, Cambs.:—

An inquisition taken at Wykes within the Priory of Spynneye on the Lord's day next before the feast of St. Dunstan (May 19th), in the fourth year of the reign of King Henry IV. (1403), upon the view of the body of William Gilbert, prior of the priory of Spyneye, before John Beverach, coroner for the county, and on the oaths of John Wilkyn, John Speed, Edward Paunton, John Giffard, Robert Margarete, Robert Randolph, Robert Refam, Henry Bailly, John Dallyng, John Gabiller, John Clerk, and William Schakespeare, who say that John Lode *alias* John Catesson, Thomas Smyth, William Hall, canons and fellow brethren (*canonici et confratris*) of the aforesaid William Gilbert, on Sunday before St. Dunstan's day, 1403, at Spyneye in Wykes, like traitors rose up against the peace of the lord King (*tanquam proditores domini regis manu forte proditorie*), and the same John Lode in the church of the said priory feloniously struck the said William Gilbert under the left arm with a knife worth a penny, and of which wound the said William Gilbert would have died if he had not had another wound. Likewise in the same year and place the aforesaid Thomas Smyth assaulted Gilbert, and feloniously struck him in the back with a knife worth a penny, from which wound he would have died had he not had another. Likewise at the same time and place the said William Gilbert fled into the hall of the priory, and shut the door of the hall, whereupon the aforesaid John, William, and Thomas feloniously broke open the said door, and Thomas with a knife called a "Daggere" stabbed the prior through the left arm and side to the heart. And so Lode, Smyth, and Hall feloniously killed the Prior.

The above is on a small piece of parchment stitched on to *Gaol Delivery Roll*, No. 8, in the Public Record Office, but that roll contains no further reference to the matter, but on another roll, No. 190, is the following:—

Gaol Delivery at Cambridge Castle, before John Cokayn and John Markham, on Monday before St. Margaret (July 20th), 1403. The jury found them guilty of the murder of their prior, but they were claimed by the Bishop's official as clerics.

Linton, Cambs.

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SUFFOLK NOTES FROM THE CALENDAR
OF FRENCH ROLLS OF THE REIGN OF HENRY VI.
IN THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

We are indebted to Mr. R. F. Bullen of Bow Library, E., for the following Suffolk Notes, culled from a source of information too much overlooked. They illustrate in their singular details the wayfaring life of the middle ages in regard to many a Suffolk man in a manner likely to awaken much curious thought, if not investigation. Five classes of documents are referred to:—

(1) *Protection Orders* granted to individuals that here either figure in the retinue of some great man, or engaged (as may be supposed) upon some important State service or county business.

(2) *Licences* for the exportation of grain and cheese. *Licences* to ship-masters to convey pilgrims to the Province of Galicia in Spain, with the intent that they should reach the famous capital Compostella.

(3) *Letters of Attorney*, in all cases presumably in favour of those going abroad.

(4) *Safe-conduct* for men of Brittany and Normandy, taken prisoners by the captains of Suffolk vessels. These orders were made for the express purpose of obtaining the required ransom for the captors.

(5) *Livery of Manors* in Norfolk. The names occurring among the protection particulars are for the most part those of well-known nobility; other chiefmen and divers inhabitants, concerning whom the several details cannot fail to be of interest. These instruments of "protection," it may be taken for granted, were so far respected that any infringement of the specified terms would have been visited with severe penalties, while they answered in the main as passports, with which they may be classed. The two "licences" to convey pilgrims are particularly noteworthy. The vessels are named "Bartholomew" and "Christopher," and they were owned respectively by Thomas Andrewe and John Deken. The latter was bailiff of Ipswich, and held other municipal offices. The same remark applies to John Felawe and others of Ipswich, who were "protected," and to William Debenham and others licensed to export grain. It is a little difficult to understand the precise nature of the seizure of neighbouring foreigners by private individuals and the subsequent grant of a "protection order" to enable the prisoners to reach their homes across the seas in quest of ransom for their captors. Was this a legalised form of piracy in the spoils of which the State had a share?

Licences that authorised the owners of vessels to carry pilgrims to Galicia are numerous in Rymer's *Fœdera*. The undertaking was to convey the pilgrims to Compostella, and to bring them back to England when they should have fulfilled their vows. They were under certain obligations while away to fulfil the duty they owed their own country. The number of pilgrims allotted to a vessel varied

from thirty to one hundred. The licences in the *Fœdera* reveal the names of numerous East Anglian ships as "La Sainte Marie de Blakney," "Le Garlond de Crowemere," "La Trinité de Wells," &c., &c.

The gilds largely furthered pilgrimages to St. James of Galicia. A military order for the protection of the pilgrims was founded in the twelfth century. From the thirteenth century St. James the Great is represented in art holding a long pilgrim's staff and wearing a pilgrim's flapped-hat and cloak adorned with scallop shells in allusion to the pilgrimage made to his shrine at Compostella. At the place of pilgrimage the scallop shell was sold as the recognised mark or sign that the vow had been fulfilled, and was generally worn on hat and cloak. It is interesting to observe in this connection that the identical scallop shell of the pilgrim has been occasionally found in Suffolk, and we call to mind an early pleasure when our late friend, Dr. Raven, handed round for inspection to a party of antiquaries at an excursion of the Suffolk Institute of Archæology one of these little badges which had been found by a Suffolk labourer while at field work at Dunwich.

- 1422-4.
Feb. 17. Protection to Nich. Bury, of Eyk, Suffolk, in the retinue of the Duke of Bedford.
1424-5.
May 23. Protection to Wm. Lombe, of Snape, Suffolk, in the retinue of Henry, Earl of Northumberland.
1426-7.
Feb. 4. Protection to Michael Thorp, of Ipswich, John Shardelowe, kt., and John Westwode, of Stonham Jernegan, alias of Gorleston, Suffolk, in the retinue of Edmund Beaufort, knight.
June 27. Protection to John Snowe, of Suffolk, in the retinue of the Duke of Bedford.
1427-8.
Nov. 15. Protection to John Felawe, John Priour, and John Caldewell, of Ipswich.
Feb. 6. Licence to Wm. Debenham, Wm. Keche, and John Smith, jun., all of Ipswich, to export grain.
" 6. Same to John Decon, of Ipswich.
" 8. Same to Richard Skilman, of Southwold, Suffolk.
Dec. 23. Protection to Geoffrey Spaldyng, of Bury St. Edmund's, in the retinue of John Styward, captain, of Rysbank.
March 5. Protection to Roger Chamberlain, of Suffolk, in the retinue of the Duke of Bedford.
1429-30.
July 1. Protection to Robt. Wyngefeld, of Suffolk, knight, in the retinue of the Duke of Norfolk.
1430-1.
May 11. Protection to Thos. Curson, of Bramtham, Suffolk, in the retinue of the Duke of Norfolk.
Jan. 23. Licence to Thos. Andrewe, of the ship "Bartholomew," of Orwell, to carry pilgrims to S. James of Galicia.
1431-2.
May and July. Licences to Richd. Skylman, of Southwold, Robt. Morysse and John Bysshop, of Dunwich, to export grain.
June 5. Livery of the Manors of Hemenhale and Dysee, in Norfolk, and of the Manor of Shymplyng atte Thorne, in Suffolk, to Elizabeth, widow of Walter, Lord de Fitz-Wautier.
1432-3.
April 22. Protection to John Westwode, of Gorleston, Suffolk, going to France, in the retinue of the Earl of Huntingdon.
1433-4.
Nov. 20. Protection to John Plomer, of Woodbridge, Suffolk, and to John Fornham of Alderton, Suffolk, in the retinue of Robt., Lord de Wylughby, going to France.

- 1433-4.
 April —. Licence to John Deken, of the ship "Christopher," of Ipswich, to carry pilgrims to S. James of Galicia.
 April 28. Licence to John Waynflete, of Southwold, to export cheese bought in Suffolk to Holland or Zealand.
 May. Protection to Wm. Carter, of Suffolk, in the retinue of John de Clynton.
 June 14. Letters of Attorney to Wm. Laweney, of Suffolk, going
 1434-5. abroad.
 Feb. 2. Protection to John Thorpe, of Stowmarket, and to Thos. Taston, of Nedeham Market, in the retinue of John, Earl of Arundel.
 July 5. Protection to Roger Felyce, of Gyslyngham, Suffolk, in the retinue
 1435-6. of Richd. Preston.
 Dec. Protection to John Umfrey, of Suffolk, and Wm. Sherman, of Suffolk, in the retinue of Henry Norbury, knight.
 „ Protection to Roger Felice, of Gyslyngham, Suffolk, in the retinue of Richard Wastenesse.
 March. Protection to George Hethe, of Myldenhale, Suffolk, in the retinue of the Duke of York.
 April. Letters of attorney to George Hethe, of Myldenhale, Suffolk.
 May 22. Protection to William Drury, of Rougham, Suffolk, knight, in the retinue of the Earl of Suffolk.
 June 17. Protection to John Esmond, of Wynkefeld, Suffolk, alias of
 1436-7. Craneworth, Norfolk, in the retinue of the Earl of Suffolk.
 Feb. 6. Protection to Roger Felys, of Gysslyngham, alias Kedyngton, Suffolk, in the retinue of Lord de Wylughby, captain of Bayeux.
 1437-8.
 May 23. Protection to Simon Thorn, of St. Edmond Bury, in the retinue
 1438-9. of Thomas Rempston, knight.
 June. Protection to Robert Wyngefeld, of Letheryngham, Suffolk, in the retinue of the Duke of Norfolk.
 1439-40.
 May 6. Protection to John Berdewell, junior, of St. Edmund's, Suffolk, in the retinue of Thomas Kiriell, knight.
 June 20. Protection to Richard Musley, of Stoke, Suffolk, in the retinue
 1440-1. of John Robessart, knight.
 Feb. Protection to Thomas West, of Sudbury, Suffolk, in the retinue
 1441-2. of the Duke of York.
 March 16. Protection to John Intebergh, of Suffolk, in the retinue of Humphrey, Earl of Stafford.
 May 16. Protection to Wm. Medelton, of London and Hadley, Suffolk, in
 1443-4. the retinue of Thomas Kyriel, knight.
 Jan. Protection to John, son of Robt. Sheryngham, late of Tunstall, Suffolk, alias Rector of Wykyngeston, Leicester, in the retinue of John Langton.
 1445-6.
 Dec. Protection to John Illardy, of Hadley, Suffolk, in the retinue of Henry Bouchier, Count d'Eu.
 1447-8.
 April. Protection to William Hillary, of Hadleigh, Suffolk, in the retinue of the Marquis of Suffolk.
 1448-9.
 Feb. Protection to Robt. Ingham, of Bury S. Edmund's, in the retinue of the Duke of Buckingham.
 March 29. Letters of attorney to William, Abbot of Bury S. Edmund's.
 April 2. Protection to the same.
 1449-50.
 Sept. 23. Safe-conduct for several Bretons, prisoners of John Waynflete, of Southwold, Nich. Shipman and Robt. Thorpe, of Dunwich, going from England to Brittany in quest of their ransom.

- 1449-50.
Nov. Protection to Wm. Clevehogge, of Bury S. Edmund's, in the retinue of the Duke of Buckingham.
- March 16. Protection to Richard Rote, of Glemesford, Suffolk, in the retinue of Robert Veer, knight.
- 1450-1.
March 26. Safe-conduct for the crew of the "Little John," of Dieppe, taken prisoners by the "Thomas," of Dunwich, and brought to Dunwich, to return to Dieppe for their ransom.
- " Protection to Adam Breton, of Chellesworth, Suffolk, in the retinue of Richard Vernon.
- June 7. Protection to Wm. Morys, of Shotley, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton, Treasurer of Calais.
- August. Protection to Roger Balle, of Exnyng, Suffolk, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton.
- 1451-2.
Feb. Protection to Wm. Hogge, of Clare, Suffolk, in the retinue of Gervase Clifton.
- May 16. Protection to Thomas Gunne, of Ipswich, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton.
- July. Protection to John Bale, of Bury of S. Edmund's, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton.
- 1452-3.
Feb. 13. Protection to Wm. Illary, of Suffolk, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton.
- 1453-4.
April. Protection to Robt. Dallyng, of Blofeld, Norfolk, alias of Framlyngham, Suffolk, in the retinue of Thos. Fynderne, kt.
- 1454-5.
Feb. 18. Protection to Geoffrey Hill, of Blakenham, Suffolk, in the retinue of John Marny, knight, Captain of Hammes.
- August. Protection to Wm. Osborne, of Mildenhale, Suffolk, in the retinue of Thomas Fynderne, knight.
- 1455-6.
Jan. Protection to John Jerveys, of Bury St. Edmund's, in the retinue of Thomas Fynderne, knight.
- July 20. Protection to John Byrd, of Lavenham, Suffolk, in the retinue of Thomas Fynderne, knight.
- July 22. Protection to Henry Fuller, of London, alias of Oksyn, Suffolk, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton, knight.
- 1456-7.
May. Protection to John Waynflete, of Westleton, Suffolk, in the retinue of John Marney, knight.
- 1457-8.
July 10. Protection to Robert Walter, of Hepworth, Suffolk, in the retinue of John Marney, knight.
- Aug. 23. Protection to John Vynour, of Ipswich, in the retinue of John Marney, knight.
- 1458-9.
Nov. 28. Protection to John Eme, of Donyngton, Suffolk, in the retinue of John Marney, knight.
- Dec. 1. Protection to Thomas Chapman, of Bury S. Edmund's, Suffolk, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton, knight.
- Feb. Protection to Alan Wyske, of Beccles, Suffolk, in the retinue of Gervase Clyfton, knight.

NOTES ON THE FAMILY OF MACKERELL OF NORWICH.

John Maakerell of Norwich, weaver (? mercer), by will dated 21st January, 1659, and proved 9th April, 1660, made a bequest to the poor of the Dutch congregation. He mentions property in Ber Street, in St. Peter per Mountergate, and at Blickling. He also mentions Peter Beake his brother-in-law, Peter Enton (or Anton) his

brother-in-law, Henry Yemes ditto, Emperor (?) ditto. He married (then called "of St. Andrew's") on February 4th, 1642, at St. Gregory's, Abigail, daughter of Anton of St. Gregory's. He was admitted freeman by apprenticeship in 1643. Possibly he was the son of Nicholais Makereel mentioned in 1621 in Dutch company of Militia.

John Mackerell, "gentleman," eldest son of John and Abigail, mentions in his will (probably made before 1720, not dated but proved 1724, *P. C. C. Bolton*, fol. 94) "the ministers of our congregation." He provides for Benjamin his youngest son, the bringing up of Benjamin's son, Charles, as a "minister" (? Dutch) with private education, and *not* to come to either of the Universities, and if he will not be a scholar, then his (Benjamin's) son John, and if he will not, then either of his other boys. Property at Blickling, and in Ber Street and Dove Street.

In the second vol. of Benjamin Mackerell's *Norwich Collections* (*MSS.*), which belonged in 1893 to Mr. Gurney of Keswick, there is a note in the handwriting of Mr. Hudson Gurney to this effect:—

"John Mackerell had a grant of confirmation of arms from Sir John Vanburgh, Clarencieux, and Peter Le Neve, Norroy, dated 10th April, 1718, stating that by the Register Books of the Dutch congregation his ancestors came from the Low Countries and settled in Norwich in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and he produced seals from 1637 to prove they had always borne for their arms 3 mackarells. They then confirm to the said John Mackerell and his descendants the aforesaid arms and grant, and assign to him the colours thereto and crest. Party per pale, etc. Crest, on a wreath or and azure, etc.

"The grant states that he was born in or about the year 1644, being but 15 years of age at the time of the death of John Mackerell his father, and that for fourscore years they had used the said arms, but that their Pedigree had not been entered in the College of Arms."

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EAST ANGLIAN MANOR ROLLS (vol. xiii., p. 22) CAMBRIDGESHIRE.—Bergham, now called and written Barham, is included in the parish of Linton. The Furneux family were in possession of the estate at the time of *Domesday Book*. John Furneux was the last of his race to live there, and was not in possession of Bergham in 1396. According to my notes the record of entailment is dated 1379.

There are several other Cambridgeshire Court Rolls in the British Museum besides those mentioned at the above reference.

Bassingbourn 1457-8, 1533, 1567 (two), 1575, 1588, 1591, *Harleian Rolls*, 29-32, 34-36.

Harston. A fine series of Court and Compotus Rolls for the following years:—1279, 1359-75. 1377-1413, 1415-21, 1423-69. These are contained in *Additional MSS.* 18,521, 18,523-6, 18,528, 18,530-40. There are altogether about 150 skins.

A reference to the *Index to Charters and Rolls*, published by the Museum Trustees, would probably add to this list.

THE NORWICH DUTCH CHURCH. No. XXI.
EARLY REGISTER OF BAPTISMS, 1598—1619.

(continued from p. 94).

September, 1612.

Tobias vertorre, filius Tobias ende syner huysvrouwe Sara, geboren den 27^{en} Augusti in St. michiels prochie ende was gedoopt den 13 Septembris; getuygen, Jooris hulewyck, mayliard Wydoot, ende Catherina vxor Zacharias de leewe.

Petrus Makereel, filius Ephraim ende syner huysvrouwe Catelyne, geboren in St. Edmunds prochie den 21 Augusti ende was gedoopt den 20 Septembris; getuygen, Pieter de Welt ende Eliseus Spillebout, Josynken makereel, ende Alse ferbencs.

October.

Judith Rogier, filia Herculis ende syner huysvrouwe Abigael, geboren den 27 Septembris ende was gedoopt den 4 Octobris; getuyghen, Melchior de dieu, Herman Clinchamer, ende Proyntghen Cortes.

Anna Elison, filia Joannis ende syner huysvrouwe Mayken, geboren den eersten Octobris in St. Martens at the oake ende was gedoopt den xj Ditto; getuygen, Maerten Moenen, Joos geshier, ende Anneken d'huysvrouwe van Carolus liebaert.

gedoopt
den 11^{en}
Octobris.

Andreas de Wale, filius Abadias ende syner huysvrouwe Sysely, geboren in alder gallant pchie* den 8 Octobris; getuyghen, Andries Allaert, pieter de corte, Agar de Wale, ende Christine Sellowout.

Esther langhelets, filia Oliver ende syner huysvrouwe Esther in St. Michiels a Koslaney, geboren den 9^{en} Octobris; getuyghen, Jan Cockeel ende ferdinandus van den steene ende Adrijne d'huysvrouwe van Engel van den einde.

Elisabeth de hem, filia Jaques ende syner huysvrouwe Sara, geboren den 29 Septembris in St. Michiels at the plea ende was gedoopt den 13 Octobris; getuygen, Pr. Segher Corsteli in syn plaet se stont Carolus Liebaert, Charles looten in syn plaetse stont Abraham Dierich, Anneken liebaert, ende Mrs. browne. †

Susanna waleweyn, filia Daniel ende syner huysvrouwe Elisabeth, geboren in St. Martens at the oake den 12^o Octobris ende was gedoopt den 18 Ditto; getuyghen, Joos Soene, Andries Allaert, ende Susanna vxor Claes fayliard.

Francoyo Vergisele, filius francoys ende susanna syner huysvrouwe, geboren in St. Suttens den 29 Octobris ende was gedoopt den 1^o Novembris; getuygen, francoys van gisele de ouden Jan verpoort, Matheus de back, ende Janneken vergisele.

* (P) Aldersgate in the City of London.

† The first mention of proxies.

November.

Jacobus fayliarde, filius Andries ende syner huysvrouwe Jakemynken, geboren den 3 Novembris in St. Michiels a Coslaney ende was gedooft den 8^m Ditto; getuyghen, Jacob van den boomgaerde ende mayken vxor Maerten moenen.

Nathaniaell Cortyll, filius Salomon ende syner huysvrouwe Susanna, geboren in St. martens a palays den 12 Novembris ende war gedooft den 27^m Ditto; getuygen, Michiel Coolen, P^r verdiere, ende Jakemyne w^e van Maillyard van berten.

Elisabeth de Clerck, filia Abrahams ende syner huysvrouwe mayken, geboren den 20 novembris in St. Pieters off Mancrofft; getuyghen, Richard van Cuelen ende Davidde clerck in syn plaetse stontd Abraham Dierich ende Josynken Joyh (*sic*) in haer plaetse stontd de w^e van Victoor de clerck.

Maria van Averhout, filia boudewyn, geboren opt Voldershof; getuyghen, Pieter de wilde, Symon doen ende Jakemyne van berthen.

Johannes de Choindele, filius Jonas ende syner huysvrouwe Debora, geboren den 23 Novembris; getuygen, Pauwels de Windele, Michiel van Huevele, ende Mayken d'huysvrouwe van Joos herkaert.

Samuëll fromenteel, filius Mardochens ende syner huysvrouwe lea, geboren in St. Gregore den 17 Novembris; getuyghen, Isaack de Clerck ende Claes de clerck ende mayken gavers doch in haer plaetse stont Rachael Valcke.

December.

Joannes de puydt, filius Nathaniel, geboren in St. Benits den 17 November; getuyghen, Jan Michiels ende Janneken paesschesoone.

Petrus hasebaert filius Pieter ende syner huysvrouwe perynken, geboren den 30^m novembris; getuygen, Pieter delmee, Jacob bovij, Tobias paesschesoone, ende Janneken meese.

David vertegens filius Pieters ende syner huysvrouwe Jakemyne, geboren in St. Laurens den 13 December ende gedooft den 20 Ditto; getuygen, guilliammes vertegans ende mayken walune (?).

Catherina quinten, filia Jans ende syner huysvrouwe lea, geboren den 22 December int St. Laurens; getuygen, Abraham pycke, Adriaen Pietereins (?), ende Catelyne vxor Jooris de Waghenare.

Sara de beer, filia Isaac ende lidea syner huysvrouwe, geboren den 20 Decembris in St. Edmunds pchie; getuyghen, Pieter de wilde, pieter van den bossche, ende Susanna Cortyll.

Januarius, anno 1613.

David van torre, filius Daniels ende syner huysvrouwe Elisabeth, geboren den 28 Decembris; getuyghen, Herman van Coudenhavé, Abraham Appaert, ende Janneken vxor Pieter Anneese.

Albertus Clinckhamer, filius Hermans ende syner huysvrouwe Abigaël, geboren den 29 Decembris; getuyghen, Jacob de clerck, Beniamin bernaert, ende Hester d'huysvrouwe van Jan de leyn.

gedooft
den 29
Novembris.

gedooft
den 6
Decembris.

gedooft 27
Decembris,
1612.

Lodewyck vertegans, filius Willems ende syner huysvrouwe debora, geboren den 13 Januarij in St. Stevenens prochie; getuyghen, Lodewyck vermeersch ende Susanna d'huysvrouwe van Abraham Appart.

Maria buen, filia Pieters ende syner huysvrouwe Judith, geboren den 17 Januarij; getuygen, Joos du boen ende Mayken syner huysvrouwe ende Tobias paesschesoone.

Judith verhaeghe, filia Stevens ende syner huysvrouwe Elisabeth, geboren in St. Andries den 17 Januarij; getuygen, Joos heckaert, Vincent de grave, ende Judith de Ketelbouter.

Rachel de Witte, filia Abrahams; getuyghen, Pauwels de Man, Samuel Valcke, ende Rachel d'huysvrouwe van Eliseus Valecke.

Maerte.

Isaack Cousse, filius Isaack ende Rachel, gedoopt den 24^e Maerte; ghet., pieter verdiere, Daneel Disormeen, ende willemynken t'wijn van Londewyn de poorter, geboren in St. Gregorius parochie.

Maria dierens, filia Joos ende hester, gebooren den 23^e Maerte; ghet., ferdinandies van de Steene ende Maeijken boterdrooge.

(To be continued).

THE WEIGHT OF ECCLESIASTICAL CENSURE, A.D. 1264.—Gervase the Shepherd of Schenegeye Church, Alan the Monk, Richard the Chapelyn of Clapeton, William of Everseden, and John Dun of Crauden, were attached to answer William Thede of Harleston as to his plea that they should show cause why they came to his house in Harleston, broke his doors and windows, and seized and carried away his goods to the value of twenty shillings, to the great damage of William and against the King's peace. Plaintiff stated that on Thursday after St. Peter in chains, 48 Henry III. (1 August, 1264), Gervase and the other defendants broke into his house, stole a cow and a young ox, with other goods and chattels worth twenty shillings, and took them away, by which he has lost at least forty shillings. Gervase and the others appeared and denied any violence or injury. They say that William the plaintiff was excommunicated, and remained so for forty days, so that the King at the instance of the Bishop of Ely, by his writ, ordered the Sheriff of Cambridgeshire to arrest him. So the Sheriff sent William the defendant, who was then his bailiff, to arrest the plaintiff, take him into the presence of the King, until he should be punished by Ecclesiastical Censure. But that they took any kine or did any damage or committed any transgression whatsoever they deny, and put themselves on the country. And plaintiff does likewise. The jury (*i.e.*, "the country") say that although Gervase and the others came to plaintiff's house they did no damage there. Therefore Gervase and the others are acquitted, and William is amerced for making a false claim.—*Assize Roll*, No. 84, Membrane 13.

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